



BY THE
Lord Lieutenant
AND
C O U N C I L.
ORMONDE.



Whereas by two several Proclamation, the one bearing date the 27th of October in the year 1673; and the other bearing date the 27th day of April in the year 1674, both issued from this Board according to his Majesties special Commands; "All Titular Popish Archbishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Abbots, and all others exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, by any authority derived from the Pope or See of Rome in this Kingdom, And also all Regular Priests were required by certain days in the said several Proclamation, to depart out of His Majesties Kingdom of Ireland. And it was thereby also required and commanded that all Convents, Seminaries, Fryeries, Huncuries and Popish Schools in this Kingdom should be forthwith dissolved and suppressed.

And whereas We are Informed, that notwithstanding the said several Proclamations, divers of the said Titular Popish Archbishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Abbots, and others exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction by authority derived from the Pope or See of Rome, and also divers Jesuites and other Regular Priests refusing to give obedience thereunto, do remain still in this Kingdom; And that also several opish Societies, Convents, Seminaries, Fryeries, Huncuries and Popish Schools are still kept up in this Kingdom in Contempt of His Majesties authority, and of the Laws of this Realm. So that We might justly cause the said several persons, whoe contrary to the said Proclamations do still continue in this Kingdom, to be immediately seized upon, secured and proceeded against according to their demerits for such their wilful disobedience; and whereas upon information given upon oath before the Lords of his Majesties most Honourable privy Council in England, touching a dangerous Conspiracy against the life of his Sacred Majesty, and for the subversion of the Government. It hath been testified that divers particulars of pernicious consequence have been lately contrived and transacted in this Kingdom of Ireland by Jesuites and others of the opish Clergy, exercising Jurisdiction in this Kingdom by authority from the Pope or See of Rome. Whereupon His Majesty hath lately been pleased to signify His Royal will and pleasure, that We the Lord Lieutenant should provide such speedy remedies for the obstruction of those evils informed of, as We in Our wisdome shall think fit, and in particular, that We should use effectual means to command all the titular Bishops, and other Dignitaries of the Church of Rome, to depart this Kingdom with all possible speed.

We the Lord Lieutenant and Council therefore do by this Our Proclamation in His Majesties Name, straightly charge and Command all Titular Popish Archbishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Abbots and other Dignitaries of the Church of Rome, and all others exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, or who have exercised any Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in this Kingdom by any authority derived from the Pope or See of Rome, and also all Jesuites and other regular Priests, that they do by or before the twentieth day of November next, depart out of this His Majesties Kingdom of Ireland; and that all Popish Societies, Convents, Seminaries, Fryries, Nunneries and Popish Schools do forthwith dissolve and separate themselves, and be henceforth utterly suppressed; And We do expressly forbid and prohibit all and every His Majesties Subjects within this Realm, to receive, harbour or relieve any of the said Titular Popish Archbishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Abbots, Dignitaries, Jesuites, Regular Priests, or any of the persons aforesaid after the time hereby limited for their departure out of this Realm. And We do also forbid and prohibit all manner of persons to frequent, resort unto, keep up, or by any wayes support or maintain any such Societies, Convents, Seminaries, Fryries, Nunneries, or Popish Schooles in this Kingdome, as they will answer the Contrary at their perils.

And We do hereby declare and Publish, that if any of the said Popish Archbishops, Bishops, or other Persons hereby commanded to depart out of this Kingdom, shall at any time before the twentieth day of November next, resort to any Port-City or Town of this Realm, and there declare to the Chief Magistrate or Officer of the same, or Port that he is a person included within this Our proclamation, and that he is there to take shipping for his passage, they shall suffer him or them quickeley to depart, and shall see them shipt and sent away for foreign parts, and give them their furtherance for their departure.

And We do further in His Majesties Name straightly charge and command all and every the Mayors, Sovereigns, Bailiffs, Proprietors, & all other chief Magistrates and officers of the several and respective Cities and Towns Corporate of this Kingdom, and all and every the Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Constables, and all other His Majesties good and Loyal Subjects, that they be more diligent and active than formerly they have been, in putting these commands in execution, upon pain of His Majesties high displeasure, and that they and every of them from and immediatly after the said twentieth day of November next, do make strict and diligent search and enquiry within the several and respective Cities, Towns Corporate, Liberties, Countys, Baronies, Parishes and places within their several Jurisdictions, for and after all such titular Popish Archbishops, Bishops, Vicars-General, Abbots, Dignitaries, and all others exercising, or who have exercised Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in this Kingdom by any authority derived from the Pope or See of Rome, and also for any other clerkes and other regular priests, who at any time after the said twentieth day of November next, shall continue, remain, or abide in this Kingdom, or shall return or come into this Kingdom; And also for and after all and every the Receivers, Relievers and harbourers of them, or any of them; And further, that they take special care that all Societies, Convents, Seminaries, Fryries, Nunneries, and Popish Schools within this Kingdom be immediately dissolved and utterly suppressed, & that upon biscovery of any such titular Popish Archbishops, Bishops, or other persons hereby required to depart out of this Realm, that they do forthwith apprehend them, and commit them, & every of them into safe custody, and Certifie the Lord Lieutenant and Council thereof, with all convenient speed, & do also forthwith return unto them the names of all their Receivers, Relievers and harbourers, and do take special care that the said persons be forthwith prosecuted for their Contempt, & proceeded against according to the Lawes of this Kingdom. Given at the Council Chamber in Dublin the 16th day of October, 1678.

Mich: Dublin. Canc. Donegall. Blesinton. Lainsborough.
Hen: Midensis. Ro: Fitz-Geral. Ca: Dillon. Char: Meredith.
Ro: Toole. J: Davys. John Cole. W: Flouer. Mau: Eustace
Tho: Newcomen.

God Save the King.

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